



Keir Hardie Newsletter

Dear Parent/Carers,

It been a positive start to the academic year with lots of exciting learning experiences. We are sure your child is now well settled into their new class and is familiar with all the expectations and routines. Thank you to all the parents/carers supporting the school in starting the academic year. We look forward to a Autumn Term filled with MAGIC! Please find some important updates, reminders and key diary dates.

Attendance Update

We would like to say a massive thank you to the parents and carers who have helped to start the academic year by bringing their child(ren) to school every day. As of 24.09.2021 the whole school attendance was recorded as 96%, which is the schools attendance percentage aim. Lets continue to strive to keep that percentage above the 96% mark!

KH Whole School Attendance	
Academic Year 20/21	Academic Year 21/22 So Far
95.5%	96%

A couple of important attendance reminders:

- School attendance is mandatory for all pupils
- Leave of absence / holidays **will not** be authorised during term time
- For any sickness absences / or medical appointments, please ensure medical proof is provided to the school so the absence can be authorised.
- In line with government regulations, if a child's attendance falls below 90% in a term, they will be referred to the Attendance Management Service. If there are 6 unauthorised sessions (1 session = half a day) in half a term, a penalty notice of £60 per parent may be issued.

100% Attendance

Congratulations to all the classes who have achieved the school attendance target of 96% or higher and to all the pupils who have achieved 100% attendance so far.

Please see the table below for the number of pupils per class who achieved 100% - in blue - as well as the class attendance percentage for the year in red.

NAM	NPM	BEE	BFLY	1K	1E	2I	2R
18 (92.9%)	4 (78.7%)	20 (92%)	17 (92.9%)	20 (97.4%)	22 (97.2%)	19 (96.4%)	21 (96.7%)
3H	3A	4R	4D	5I	5E	6P	6S
18	19	24	22	21	23	24	26

School Start / Finish Times

The school will continue to operate with the current staggered start/finish times. This will be reviewed further as we progress further into the Autumn/Winter months.

Uniform

It has been great seeing our pupils attending school looking so smart in their uniform! Quick Reminders: 1) please ensure your child brings their PE kit to school - including their house coloured PE top. 2) school uniform can be ordered on the school website by [clicking here](#).

Reading

Keir Hardie loves to read! Please remember to read with your child each day and to visit the school library!

Gardening

Keir Hardie loves to grow! Led by our dedicated Mrs Gilani, there are always lots of exciting opportunities for pupils to learn about planting, sowing, reaping and harvesting. To discover the latest Gardening news, please [click here](#).

Arts Mark Gold

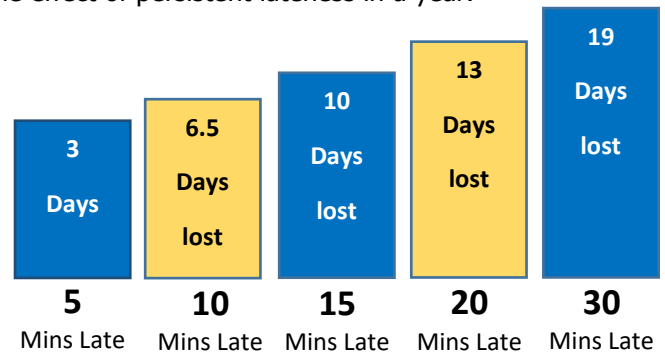
We would like to say a big congratulations to the pupils and staff at Keir Hardie for achieving the Arts Mark Gold Accreditation! Well Done!



Punctuality

It's been great to see so many pupils coming to breakfast club and arriving on time to school. A reminder, pupils should be lined up and ready to enter the building at their year group arrival times. A copy of the arrival times can be found [here](#).

The effect of persistent lateness in a year.



*PLEASE NOTE: persistent lateness will be referred to the Attendance Management Service.

Meet & Greet Sessions

Thank you to all the parent/carers who attended the Meet & Greet Sessions last week. The turn-out has been great so far.

Please find the dates of the remaining sessions in the 'Dates for the Diary' section below.

A parent survey will be send out asking for suggestions for Parent Workshops. Your views and feedback are very welcome.

Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 28th September

- Year 5 History Workshop
- Reception Meet & Greet Session via Zoom
- Year 5 Meet & Greet Session via Zoom

Wednesday 29th September

- Year 3 Meet & Greet Session via Zoom

Thursday 30th September

- Year 1 Meet & Greet Session via Zoom
- Year 5 Fairplay House Parent Meeting via Zoom

Friday 1st October

- Nursery Meet & Greet Session via Zoom

Monday 18th—Friday 22nd October

- Year 6 Residential Visit to Wales

Tuesday 19th October

- Year 2 visit to Lambourne End

Monday 25th—29th October

- Half Term Break (**School Closed**)

Monday 1st November

- Pupils return to school

Monday 1st—Friday 5th November

- Year 5 Residential Visit to Fairplay House

Keir Hardie Breakfast Club



Come and join us for a nutritious breakfast followed by a range of exciting activities at 8:00 every morning!

Healthy Schools - Polite Reminder

Please can you ensure that pack lunches contain healthy options. Guidance for pack lunches can be [found here](#) on the school website.

While it is fantastic to celebrate birthdays, we would kindly ask parents not send party bags containing food to school. As I'm sure you will appreciate, there are many pupils with different types of allergens. Any party bags must only contain non-edible items.

Exciting Events at Keir Hardie!

There have been lots of exciting events and learning taking place! Please click the links below to discover more.

- [Nursery](#)
- [Reception](#)
- [Year 1](#)
- [Year 2](#)
- [Year 3](#)
- [Year 4](#)
- [Year 5](#)
- [Year 6](#)
- [School Events](#)